



IFM 2616

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : de Boer et al.  
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Title : METHODS, DEVICES AND SOFTWARE FOR COMBINING  
PROTECTION PATHS ACROSS A COMMUNICATION NETWORK  
Grp./A.U. : 2616  
Examiner : Steven Blount  
  
Docket No.: 13917

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

It is respectfully requested that a 2 month extension of time, until February 5, 2007, be granted in which to respond to the Initial Office Action dated September 5, 2006. The statutory fee of \$450.00 for the 2 month extension is attached. Any deficiencies in the extension of time fees may be charged to Deposit Account No. 04-1577.

Respectfully submitted,

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